SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LOCAL AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS.—

A.—6. (*a*) Yes. But the prohibition relates to sacrifices at the time of feasts.

(*b*) Government do not propose to adopt any measure for the present.

Supplementary questions.

Mr. B. L. Byanna.

With reference to the reply of Government to question 6 (*b*), will Government be pleased to state whether they are prepared to re-consider the decision in accordance with non-official opinion of the country?

Dewan.

That is not a supplemental question.

BY MESSRS. G. PARAMASIVIAH AND MAHOMED ABBAS KHAN. —(Bangalore City).

Q.—7. *Re* the grant of foreign and loan scholarships, will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) The number of foreign scholarships and their total value that have been awarded since the last five years?

(*b*) How many of them are loan scholarships?

(*c*) The number of students that have been awarded the same and the communities to which they respectively belong?

(*d*) In how many cases the scholarships have been extended beyond the period for which they were originally sanctioned and the circumstances under which they have been so extended?

(*e*) The names of persons to whom such concessions were shown?

(*f*) The total amount which ought to have been repaid out of the loan scholarships and the amount actually repaid during the period?

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—7. (*a*) Eighteen of a total value of Rs. 1,58,949.

(*b*) Eight.

(*c*) 1	Brahmins	..	10
2	Mudaliars	..	2
3	Christians	..	2
4	Vokkaligar	..	1
5	Mahomedan	..	1
6	Ursu	..	1
7	Telugu Banajiga	..	1

(*d*) and (*e*) In six cases, for reasons noted against each :—

(1) *Mr. V. V. Monteiro.*—The qualification of L.D.S. cannot be obtained within the period of two years for which the scholarship was originally sanctioned. An extension of nine months was sanctioned on the recommendation of the Dean of the Royal Dental Hospital, Leicester, and the Senior Surgeon.

(2) *Mr. Krishnaswamy Rao.*- He was granted in the first instance a loan scholarship for three years which was subsequently converted into a free Damodar Doss scholarship tenable for two years. He left India at the end of April 1922 and passed the L.R.C.P. and M.R.C.S. examinations in 1923. As the remaining period of scholarship was not considered sufficient for preparing himself for the M.R.C.P. examination, an extension was granted on the recommendation of the Dean of the London University College Hospital and the Senior Surgeon.

(3) *Mr. V. Loganatha Mudaliar.*—To enable him to secure some practical training in Railway, Income-tax, and Factory accounts. Extension of scholarship for one more year was contemplated in the order sanctioning the scholarship, if the course chosen by the scholar with the approval of Government necessitated his stay during the third year.

(4) *Mr. T. Seshachalam.*—To enable him to qualify himself for the F.R.C.S. He could not pass the examination within the prescribed period. His scholarship was extended on the recommendation of the Senior Surgeon and the Dean of the London Hospital Medical College, who stated that the F.R.C.S. examination is the severest test to which a student can be submitted and success at the first chance, especially in the case of an Indian student, is rather a very rare occurrence.

(5) *Mr. N. G. Pavanji.*—To enable him to undergo further training in Painting and Fine Art Lithography in Germany. Extension was recommended by the Director of Industries and Commerce.

(6) *Mr. A. Subba Rao.*—He could not complete the research work on which he was engaged within the sanctioned period. An extension of one year was considered necessary by the Professor in charge.

Two other scholars, *viz.*, Messrs. G. N. Anniah and A. V. Raghavachar are continuing their studies in foreign countries at their own expense.

(*f*) A sum of Rs. 500 has been repaid up to 30th June 1924 out of a total of Rs. 700 repayable by the loan scholars on account of scholarships sanctioned during the past five years. Information as to the total amount repayable on account of all the loan scholarships including those sanctioned prior to the said period of five years and the amount repaid will be called for and furnished to the members on receipt.

BY MESSRS. G. PARAMASIVIAH AND MAHOMED ABBAS KHAN. —(Bangalore City).

Q.—8. *Re* the award of freeships, merit and other scholarships in schools and colleges, will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) The total value of freeships, half-freeships, merit and other scholarships (excepting those awarded to the students of backward and depressed communities) available in all the schools and colleges in the State?

(*b*) The principles followed in awarding these scholarships?

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—8. (*a*) The total value of freeships and half-freeships in schools and colleges cannot be definitely stated as it varies from year to year according to the total strength of the schools or colleges. On the basis of the figures available for 1922-23, the value of freeships and half-freeships is roughly Rs. 59,000. This is exclusive of the value of the freeships attached to scholarships.